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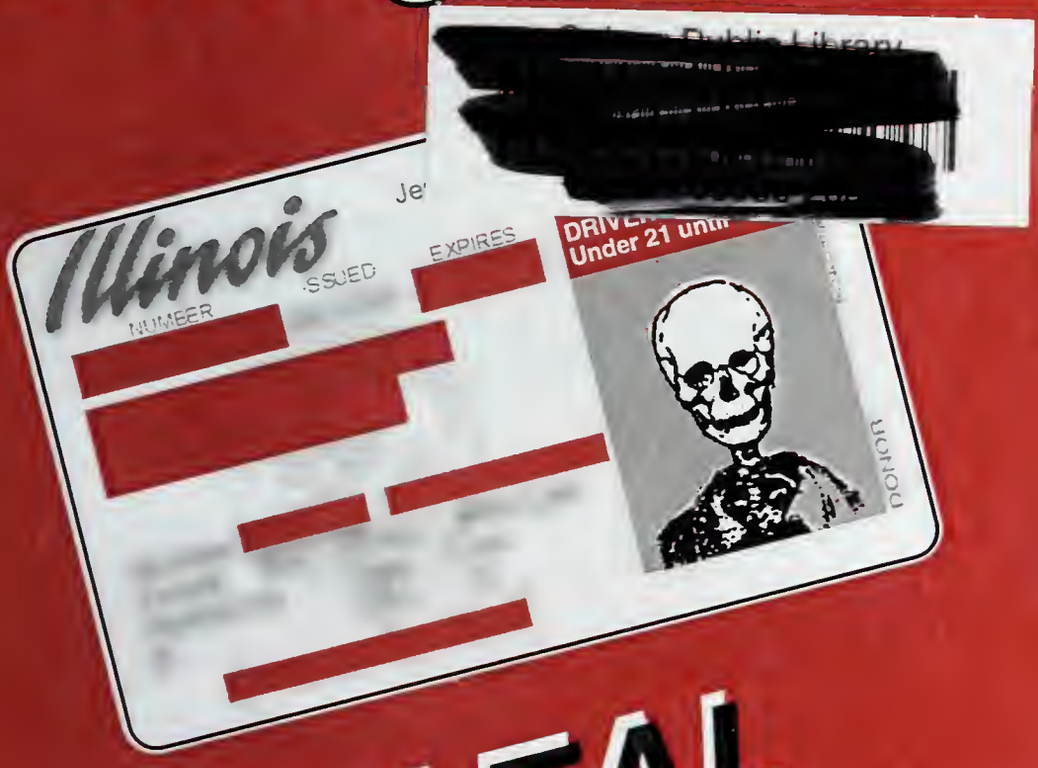
Teenage Drinking and Driving



A FATAL Attraction

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Nationwide, young drinking drivers are involved in fatal crashes at over twice the rate of drivers aged 21 and older. If you are arrested for Driving Under the Influence (DUI), you will be handcuffed and taken to the police station. What will your parents say when you call home and ask them to bail you out?

Illinois DUI laws for drivers under 21 years of age are tough and will affect your life for years—-if you live that long.

First Underage 21 DUI Conviction

- Loss of full driving privileges for a minimum of 2 years.
- Possible imprisonment for up to 1 year.
- Maximum $2,500 fine.

Second Underage 21 DUI Conviction

- Loss of full driving privileges for a minimum of 5 years, or until age 21, whichever is longer.
- Mandatory 5 days in a correctional facility or a minimum of 30 days of community service.
- Possible imprisonment for up to I year.
- Maximum $2,500 fine.

Third Underage 21 DUI Conviction Class 4 Felony

- Loss of full driving privileges for a minimum of 10 years.
- Possible imprisonment for 1-3 years.
- Maximum $25,000 fine if prior offense within 5 years.

Aggravated DUI

(Following a crash resulting in great bodily harm or permanent disfigurements.)

Class 4 Felony

- Loss of full driving privileges for a minimum of 1 year.
- Possible imprisonment for 1-12 years.
- Maximum fine of $25,000.

Underage Illegal Transportation of an Alcoholic Beverage

- Maximum fine of $1000.
- Driver's license suspended for first conviction.
- Driver's license revoked for a second conviction.

Summary Suspension

- A chemical test indicating a blood alcohol concentration (BAC) of .08 or greater results in a 3-month driver's license suspension.
- Refusal to submit to a chemical test(s) results in a 6-month license suspension.
- For subsequent offenses, a chemical test indicating a BAC of .08 or greater results in a 12-month driver's license suspension. Refusal to submit to a chemical test(s) results in a 36-month driver's license suspension.

Possession of Alcoholic Beverages

It is illegal for any person under the age of 21 to have alcoholic beverages in their possession, whether open or unopen. Penalties include:

- A maximum of $2500 fine and up to 1 year in a correctional facility.

Using a False Illinois Driver's License or ID Card

The penalties for using false IDs are serious and could change your life forever.

- Obtaining a driver's license through false affidavit is punishable by 1-3 years in a correctional facility and a maximum $25,000 fine.

- Either using someone's driver's license or allowing another person to use yours is punishable by up to 1 year of imprisonment and a maximum $2,500 fine or 50 hours of community service.

ZERO TOLERANCE IN ILLINOIS

Drink and Drive and we'll show you a few new bars

Did You Know. . . .

FACT—It is a Class A Misdemeanor for an adult to knowingly rent a facility for use by persons under age 21 to consume alcohol. The adult responsible for renting the facility may be held liable for injuries and damages incurred on the premises.

FACT—A parent or guardian who has signed a consent form permitting a minor under age 18 to apply for a driver's permit or license may revoke the consent at any time prior to the teen's 18th birthday. The parent must send a written request to the Secretary of State's Office.

Remember one more thing--if you plan to drink and drive, don't forget to tell your family good-bye.

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Zero Tolerance for Youth

Penalties for Drinking and Driving

	Zero Tolerance (BAC of .01 or greater)	DUI Conviction (BAC of .08 or greater)*
Loss of driving privileges 1st violation	3 months	2 years minimum
1st violation and refused test	6 months	2 years minimum
Loss of driving privileges 2nd violation	1 year	Until age 21 or 5 years minimum
2nd violation and refused test	2 years	Until age 21 or 5 years minimum
Effect on driving record	Except during suspension period, not on public driving record as long as there is no subsequent suspension	Permanently on public driving record

*Under certain conditions, you may be charged with DUI even though your BAC is below .08.

The zero tolerance law provides for suspension of the driving privileges of any person under the age of 21 who drives after consuming alcohol. Like the name zero tolerance suggests, any trace of alcohol in a young driver's system can result in a suspended driver's license. There are exceptions - minors who consume alcohol as part of a religious service or those who ingest a prescribed or recommended dosage of medicine containing alcohol.

Think again. Drinking isn't such a bright idea.

- Crashes are the leading cause of injury-related death for teens.
- Nationally, six individuals between the ages of 15-20 die in motor vehicle crashes each day.
- About 2 in every 5 Americans will be involved in an alcohol-related crash at some time in their lives.
- The average college student spends more money for alcohol than for books.

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